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# PARKS FOR ALL

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## Prelude

- ★ Purpose and Scope of Research
- ★ Case Study and Findings
- ★ Objectives and Aim
- ★ 'Barrier-Free'
- ★ Efforts Done

*'Behind such considerations is the basic idea that a park must be  
**accessible, safe** and offer both **comfort** and maximum  
**enjoyment'***

*Landscape Design Periodical, April 1996, p19*



## Barrier-Free

- ★ **Safety**
- ★ Definition: Freedom from danger/risks

*'If I use the facilities, I may injure or hurt myself as there is lack of safety features...'*





## Barrier-Free

- ★ **Accessibility**

- ★ Definition: That can be readily reached/entered

*'I am unable to participate equally in life; education, employment, recreation, conduct day to day living because everything seems unreachable'*



## Barrier-Free

- ★ **Usability**

- ★ Definition: That can be used.

Use means 'bring into service'

*'I am unable to contribute meaningfully to society, as basic needs are not met or not made usable, like the toilets and ramps are incorrectly designed and made...'*





## Barrier-Free

- ★ **Affordability**
- ★ Definition: Having means to or provide

*'It is difficult for access features to be incorporated into an existing building, which is a costly mistake as the elderly and disabled are not included and this means a lose of resources...'*



# KLCC PARK

- ★ Concept
- ★ Objective

*'In many respects, the KLCC Park is very much a  
**People's Park**'*

**Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamed, Prime Minister of Malaysia,**

***KLCC Park, p3***





## THE FINDINGS

### ★ Scent

*'For people who cannot share the visual enjoyment of a garden, **scents** are particularly important'*

STONEHAM, J and THODAY, P; *Landscape Design for the Disabled People*, p159





## THE FINDINGS

### ★ Safety

*'Safety is an important concern for frail people and there is little sense in including highly poisonous or allergenic plants in a planting scheme'*

STONEHAM, J and THODAY, P; *Landscape Design for the Disabled People*, p158



## THE FINDINGS

### ★ Texture

*'The outdoors is full of different **textures**, particularly those with visual impairments, rely on these to interpret the environment'*

*Landscape Design Periodical, April 1996, p27*

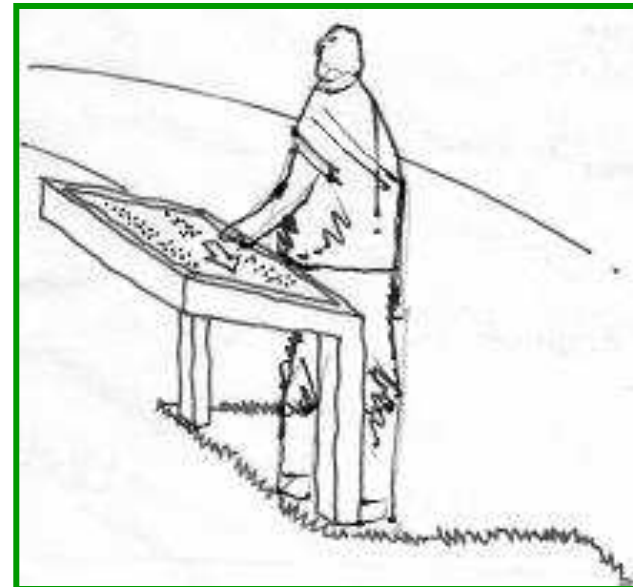
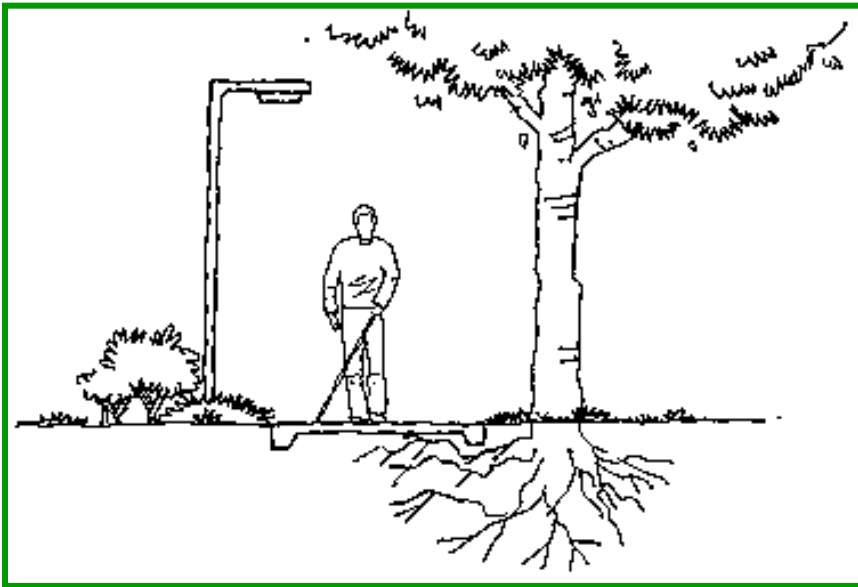


## THE FINDINGS

### ★ Other Feature

*'Information provided to visitors should be available in appropriate format (at least large prints but ideally **Braille** and cassette as well) and siting of information points such as notice boards needs careful consideration'*

*Landscape Design Periodical, April 1996, p30*





## EFFORTS DONE

- ★ Awareness Training (simulation exercise)
- ★ Access Survey, Questionnaire and Works Done
- ★ Training Future Professionals
- ★ Creating A Network and Research Base



## Epilogue

- ★ Universal Design should be the **main thrust** to planning and designing for an Accessible Park.
- ★ Partnership of government, private sector and communities.
- ★ Disabled people should be **inclusive** in our society.

## Next Steps

- ★ Localized efforts to be done by everyone.
- ★ Public Awareness.
- ★ Create network of resource persons from the local, federal and academia.

